

COUNCIL MEETING – MARCH 9, 2015**11-15**

The Council of the Borough of Plum held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, March 9, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Plum Borough Municipal Building, 4575 New Texas Road, Plum, PA 15239.

ROLL CALL: Present were council members: Mike Doyle, Leonard Szarmach, Steve Taylor and Dave Vento. Council members John Anderson, Mike Dell and David Seitz were absent. Mayor Hrivnak was present.

Motion was made by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of February. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve the following expenses for the month of February:

Monthly Recurring Payable	\$39,889.71
Payables Requiring Council Approval	140,842.12
Street Improvement Fund	3,895.00
Debt Payment	-
Fire Fund	17,561.16
Recurring Payables	4,350.00
Debt Payment	8,225.76
Liquid Fuels Fund	-
Debt Service Fund	-
Interest Payment	-
Capital Improvement Fund	1,040.00
Recurring Payables	125.00
Public Works, EMS/VFD Facility	
367,489.24	
Purchasing Card Direct Vendor Payments:	
Allied Republic	138,180.61
Cintas	1,203.10
Miscellaneous Borough Purchases	703.23

Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Vento, to approve the minutes of the February Council meeting. Unanimously approved.

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY – Mayor Hrivnak recognized the Plum Firestorm Slow Pitch Girls Team for winning the 16 and under Amateur Softball Association Pennsylvania State Championship.

Mayor Hrivnak read a proclamation recognizing March as National Meals on Wheels month. The Mayor commended the volunteers in the community who donate their time to make this a successful program.

Council President Mike Doyle congratulated and recognized Plum Chaos, the U-8 boys' soccer team and their coaches, Sean Logan and Del Chandler as the 2014 U.S. National Champions.

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marilyn Klingensmith of Plum Community Library announced an American Girl lending program and other upcoming events to be held at the library.

Bob Morran of Plum EMS announced they were in the sixth week of their annual subscription drive. Mr. Morran said that donors would receive two free CPR classes.

Nina Segelson of Plum Community Senior Center announced upcoming programs, a super bingo event and a trip to Washington, DC sponsored by the Center.

Rich Hrivnak Jr. reported on the Plum Military Banner Program. Rich said that banners are available for purchase.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS – Mr. Doyle apologized for the cancellation of the March work session. Mr. Doyle said they did not have a quorum and had to cancel on short notice. Mr. Doyle wished his wife a happy anniversary.

MANAGER'S REPORT – Mr. Thomas reported the Plum Community Festival will be held on June 26 and 27th; sponsors and vendors should contact Mona Costanza. Mr. Thomas stated that lottery tickets are being sold by the Rotary to support the festival. Mr. Thomas encouraged residents to sign up for the Borough's newsletter. Mr. Thomas announced the Borough has launched a Facebook page.

CITIZENS COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS – None

COUNCIL ACTIONS

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to approve FS-1-15, the Lindner consolidation plan for 328 Thornwood Drive. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve Resolution #792-15, for the construction of a private small flow sewage system located at 3945 Sardis Road. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Szarmach, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to table Resolution No. 793-15, setting the 2015 Administrative Salaries. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to approve Resolution #794-15, authorizing a master lease/purchase agreement for Borough equipment through Standard Bank. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve the change orders for February for the Al Franci Emergency Services Building at a cost of \$31,003.55. Unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, authorizing the Council President to sign an engagement letter and appoint Piper Jaffray as underwriter to investigate the possibility of refinancing

the 2010 General Obligation Bonds. Mr. Dice suggested the motion be amended to include bond Counsel.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to amend the motion and appoint Ron Brown as Bond Counsel.

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Taylor, authorizing the council President to sign an engagement letter and appoint Piper Jaffray as underwriter and Ron Brown as Bond Counsel. On a roll call vote: Messrs. Doyle, Szarmach, Taylor and Vento voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to table awarding the paving bid until the April Public Meeting. Unanimously approved.

MAYOR'S REPORT – Mayor Hrivnak reported the SRO discussed ramifications of “tagging” while in school; a lock down drill was conducted at Center Elementary School; a unannounced drug sweep was conducted at the high school with negative results; all officers are registered for mandatory in-service training this month; and the department acquired a 2015 Ford Explorer, which replaces the Chief’s 2007 vehicle. Mayor Hrivnak announced the Borough may sponsor a Memorial Day Parade and anyone interested in participating should contact the Borough Building.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Intergovernmental Cooperative Committee with Plum School District – Mr. Doyle announced the committee would meet this week.

Finance Committee – No report.

Personnel and Management – Mr. Szarmach announced that Ruth Pastore has resigned from the Civil Service Commission. Mr. Szarmach said that anyone interested in serving should send a letter of interest to the Borough Manager. Mr. Szarmach reported that background investigations are being conducted on the top three candidates and that four new police officers will be hired this year.

Roads, Equipment and Grounds – Mr. Taylor reported there were twenty call-outs for snow and ice conditions last month, resulting in 994 hours of overtime, 3,200 tons of salt used and 2,583 gallons of diesel fuel used for a total cost of \$292,000.

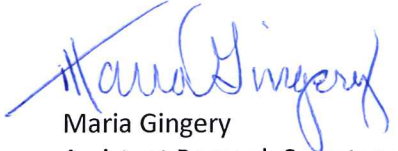
Public Safety – No report.

Planning and Economic Development – Mr. Vento reported the department issued 216 permits, issued thirteen violation notices and conducted 231 inspections for the month; a committee meeting has been scheduled for March 16, 2015 at 6 p.m.

Mr. Doyle announced the Planning Commission will meet on Monday, March 16th at 6:30 p.m.

Citizen’s Comments – Non Agenda Items – None

Motion was made by Mr. Vento, seconded by Mr. Szarmach, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m.
Unanimously approved.



Maria Gingery
Assistant Borough Secretary